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Honorable Anne K. Quinlan  
Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, S.W.  
Washington, D. C. 20423-0001



RE: Docket No. AB-364 (Sub-No. 14X), *Mid-Michigan Railroad, Inc.—Abandonment Exemption—in Kent, Ionia, and Montcalm Counties, MI*

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

On April 27, 2009, the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board") granted a request for issuance of an NITU for 2.82 miles of right-of-way between milepost 81.32 at Washington Street (M-57) in Greenville and milepost 78.50 near Greenville at the end of the line (Peck Road). FFMHT and MMRR have diligently negotiated a trail use agreement for the line. FFMHT is working to finalize funding for the acquisition of the Line, but does not expect to have all the funding available until March 31, 2010 in order to close the transaction. Therefore, FFMHT respectfully request the Board to grant an extension of the period for FFMHT to negotiate trail use for the Line with MMRR until March 31, 2010. Although the extension sought is more than 180 days, the board has granted such extensions in the past. FFMHT contends that there is good cause for the extension of the negotiating period to March 31, 2010 since FFMHT expects funding for the trail acquisition to be completed by March 31, 2010, and in order to reduce the administrative burden and costs on FFMHT, MMRR and the Board.

Enclosed are the original and 10 copies of a Statement of Willingness to Assume Financial Responsibility filed by the Friends of the Fred Meijer Heartland Trail. Also enclosed is a check for the filing fee of \$450.

Please time and date stamp the additional copy of this letter and the Statement and return them in the enclosed stamped envelop. Thank you for your assistance.

If you have any questions please call or email me.

Sincerely yours,

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1. The first part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the various methods which have been proposed for the determination of the rate of reaction of a substance with oxygen. It is found that the most reliable method is that of measuring the rate of change of the concentration of the substance.

2. The second part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the various factors which influence the rate of reaction of a substance with oxygen. It is found that the most important factors are the concentration of the substance, the temperature, and the presence of catalysts.

3. The third part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the various theories which have been proposed for the mechanism of the reaction of a substance with oxygen. It is found that the most plausible theory is that of the free radical mechanism.

4. The fourth part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the various applications of the study of the reaction of a substance with oxygen. It is found that the most important applications are in the field of chemistry and physics.

5. The fifth part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the various conclusions which can be drawn from the study of the reaction of a substance with oxygen.

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BEFORE THE  
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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Docket No. AB-364 (Sub-No. 14X)

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MID-MICHIGAN RAILROAD, INC.—ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION—  
IN KENT, IONIA, AND MONTCALM COUNTIES, MI

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STATEMENT OF WILLINGNESS TO ASSUME FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

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In order to establish interim trail use and rail banking under 16 U.S.C. §1247(d) and 49 CFR §1152.29, Friends of the Fred Meijer Heartland Trail ("FFMHT") is willing to assume full responsibility for management of, for any legal liability arising out of the transfer or use of, and for the payment of any and all taxes that may be levied or assessed against the right-of-way owned and operated by Mid-Michigan Railroad, Inc. ("MMRR"). The property is the northern portion of the Lowell to Greenville Line, and extends from railroad milepost 81.32, near Greenville, to railroad milepost 78.50, near Greenville at the end of the line, a distance of 2.82 miles in Montcalm County, MI. The right-of-way is part of a line of railroad exempted for abandonment in Docket No. STB AB-364 (Sub-No. 14X). The abandonment of this portion of the line has not been consummated.

A map of the property depicting the right-of-way is attached.

FFMHT acknowledges that use of the right-of-way is subject to the user's continuing to meet its responsibilities described above and subject to possible future reconstruction and reactivation of the right-of-way for rail service. A copy of this statement is being served on the MMRR on the same date it is being served on the Board.

Respectfully submitted,



Franz J. Mogdis, Chairman  
Friends of Fred Meijer Heartland Trail

Dated: October 13, 2009





